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1999 uninsured auto rate hit lowest level since Missouri required current coverage

Comparison of state license registrations with liability policies shows drop in uninsured rate from 9.1 to 7.3 percent, MDI says

Missouri's projected rate of uninsured passenger vehicles dropped by 18 percent — or 63,000 autos — during 1999, reaching the lowest levels since the state enacted its current mandatory insurance law in 1987, the Missouri Department of Insurance said.

The agency's annual computer comparison of state auto license registrations with insurer reports found that the overall uninsured rate for liability coverage dropped from 9.1 percent 1 of passenger vehicles in 1998 to 7.3 percent last year.

In other words, only about one in 14 cars and light trucks on the road in 1999 were uninsured for liability compared to one in 11 the year before. The highest uninsured rates continue to exist in St. Louis City and County, Jackson County and Missouri's extreme southeastern counties.

"While these statistics offer little comfort to individuals who suffer damages when they are hit by uninsured autos, the data does show Missouri is headed in the right direction," said Keith Wenzel, the MDI director.

The previous record lows of 7.4 percent uninsured for liability occurred in 1990 and 1996. The rate peaked at 14.1 percent in 1991, a year of economic recession.

With the uninsured rate jumping again in 1997, the legislature began enacting a series of measures to increase compliance with Missouri's mandatory liability insurance laws. Since 1987, those statutes have required auto owners to carry liability insurance covering medical treatment of at least



\$25,000 per injured person up to \$50,000 per accident plus property damage to other vehicles of \$10,000.

The Missouri General Assembly passed and the late Gov. Mel Carnahan signed legislation that required car owners to show proof of insurance when they obtained new or renewed license plates after Jan. 1, 1998. Before, owners only had to attest that they had insurance coverage.

Followup legislation, effective in August 1999, also outlawed the sale of auto liability insurance policies of less than three months. That prohibition should tend to reduce the practice of buying one-month insurance policies and then dropping coverage after new plates were obtained. Any effect from that change would have begun appearing for the first time, if only partially, in the data the insurance department released this month.

Two further developments should increase compliance with the motor vehicle financial responsibility laws. Next year, the Missouri Department of Revenue will begin sending notices to a sample of auto owners whose insurance coverage appears to lapse in month-tomonth comparisons in a new auto insurance database.

In 2003, the revenue department is expected to implement a system that provides notices to all such owners.

Overall, the comparison of license registrations and outstanding liability policies showed that licensed vehicles on the road increased from 3,870,220 to 3,939,658 in 1999 while the number of uninsured vehicles dropped from 350,483 to 287,486.

Missouri's highest 1999 rate of uninsured autos continued to be found in St. Louis City at 28 percent, or about the same as in 1998. The report projects that more than half of passenger vehicles registered are uninsured in some parts of the city.

Double-digit uninsured rates also were found in St. Louis County (10.0 percent), Jackson County (11.9 percent), Platte County (13.2 percent) and the traditionally high uninsured southeastern counties of Butler (10.0), Dunklin (10.2), Mississippi (14.1), New Madrid (14.0) and Pemiscot (14.1). But all of those counties as well as other uninsured "hot spots," especially in southeast Missouri, showed lower uninsured rates from 1998 to 1999.

The report takes into account the practice of buying liability insurance solely to obtain license plates and then dropping the policy to avoid the expense of year-round coverage. The insurance policy "exposures" compared to license registrations are equal to 12 months of coverage; a one-month policy or coverage would only account for 1/12 of an exposure. This method actually tends to inflate the number of uninsured

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The complete MDI 1999 Uninsured Automobile Report is available by sending \$35 to MDI Statistics Section, P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0690. Major portions of the report will become available at the MDI Web site: www.insurance.state.mo.us.

The report shows 1999 uninsured rates, uninsured counts, exposures sold for liability, comprehensive and collision coverage, total registered vehicles, registered autos and registered light trucks statewide, by county and by Zip Code.

The report, however, does not provide an exact match of an insurance policy with a specific passenger auto or light truck. Because owners are not required to register and insure autos at the same address, certain Missouri Zip Codes and entire counties tally more insurance policies than registered autos. (NOTE: This mismatch of registration and insurance domiciles helps account for the negative numbers and percentages for some counties in the following tables.)

The new Missouri Department of Revenue tracking systems, going on line in 2001 and 2003, will provide that exact vehicle-to-vehicle match of registrations and liability insurance policies.

1 This figure, released in September 1999, was revised to 8.6 percent three months later, after three companies submitted revised data. The recalculations of that statewide and county-by-county data, however, were not republished.

NOTE: For questions regarding the Department of Revenue's insurance policy database operation or motor vehicle financial responsibility enforcement, contact Susanne Medley in Director Quentin Wilson's office at 751-8222.

County	Percent uninsured 1999	Number uninsured 1999	Percent uninsured 1998	Number uninsured 1998	Percent uninsured 1997
Adair	-0.06	-9	-1.07	-164	2.96
Andrew	4.86	1,568	4.59	1,432	5.46
Atchison	-5.78	-308	-3.87	-205	1.24
Audrain	3.49	624	3.75	656	2.02
Barry	4.41	1,143	7.60	1,964	10.72
Barton	-3.77	-289	-3.34	-257	-0.60
Bates	-0.86	-105	-0.62	-74	3.36
Benton	2.50	354	7.07	979	9.44
Bollinger	-3.18	-255	3.24	263	-5.91
Boone	2.71	2,372	3.24	2,732	4.27
Buchanan	9.43	3,541	9.87	3,618	13.29
Butler Caldwell	10.00	2,808 -553	12.32 -5.63	3,420	8.42
Caldwell	-7.76 4.97	1,385	-5.65 5.96	-401 1,594	0.18 8.01
Canaway	7.33	2,215	10.90	3,236	13.08
Cape Girardea		3,450	8.09	3,590	2.41
Carroll	3.13	191	4.24	252	6.50
Carter	6.24	317	9.47	485	8.03
Cass	2.47	1,432	5.37	3,035	4.76
Cedar	2.22	238	-0.74	-78	7.66
Chariton	-5.34	-323	-3.21	-194	-0.21
Christian	0.05	21	5.46	2,052	5.06
Clark	2.33	129	1.56	85	7.18
Clay	5.29	7,441	7.69	10,579	5.82
Clinton	-1.73	-251	-3.46	-493	2.42
Cole	6.40	3,475	6.09	3,176	4.63
Cooper	1.48	169	3.60	398	2.69
Crawford	5.21	825	7.52	1,176	8.13
Dade	0.00	0	-0.58	-43	1.17
Dallas	1.12	109	5.55	542	8.48
Daviess	-7.01	-434	-3.07	-193	1.78
DeKalb	-5.33	-323	-1.67	-100	0.62
Dent	4.54	522	8.58	980	10.36
Douglas	-2.70	-211	1.83	144	5.89
Dunklin	10.19	2,283	12.74 7.37	2,831 5,611	11.63
Franklin	5.49 0.90	4,282 120	7.37 2.82	375	6.52 4.49
Gasconade Gentry	-3.88	-210	-1.95	-104	2.47
Greene	8.32	13,938	10.58	17,357	12.11
Grundy	1.57	113	0.41	29	5.65
Harrison	-3.00	-195	1.28	84	3.89
Henry	4.22	757	4.36	767	4.46
Hickory	1.76	113	5.33	336	9.91
Holt	3.19	147	-0.97	-43	3.18
Howard	0.97	67	1.08	73	0.24
Howell	3.74	1,096	6.12	1 <i>,</i> 755	11.70
Iron	9.55	864	13.36	1,226	14.20
Jackson	11.88	50,874	13.63	57 <i>,</i> 760	13.25
Jasper	7.12	6,117	8.24	7,009	10.78
Jefferson	6.99	9,034	10.07	12,669	9.29
Johnson	-2.88	-843	-0.08	-24	0.42
Know	-3.08	-106	-2.06	-70	0.43
Laclede	4.54	1,062	7.04	1,618	11.78
Lafayette	1.08	274	4.13	1,037	3.00
Lawrence	3.30	788	5.97	1,400	8.95
Lewis	-0.53	-42 1 825	-0.76	-59 2 521	0.82
Lincoln	6.37	1,825	9.07	2,521	6.38
Linn	-0.95	-116 202	0.63	76 615	3.61
Livingston	1.86	202	5.56	615 233	6.30 5.52
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County	Percent uninsured 1999	Number uninsured 1999	Percent uninsured 1998	Number uninsured 1998	Percent uninsured 1997			
Maries	-1.25	-62	1.48	73	2.13			
Marion	5.33	1,156	4.56	971				
McDonald	4.37	575	9.88	1,320				
Mercer	-0.22	-8	1.80	62				
Miller	0.45	66	5.98	883				
Mississippi	14.0	81,327	15.03	1,416				
Moniteau	2.06	209	1.32	128				
Monroe	-2.71	-204	0.22	16				
Montgomery	3.86	424	6.42					
Morgan	8.97	1,354	11.91	1,757				
New Madrid		1,760	14.84	1,857				
Newton	3.62	986	7.96	2,178				
Nodaway	-3.25	-461	-2.04	-285				
Oregon	-0.17	-12	4.02	298				
Osage	-1.40	-139	-0.96	- 93				
Ozark	-2.25	-164	2.29	166				
Pemiscot	14.11	1,751	17.78	2,190				
Perry	2.34	321	4.29	580				
Pettis	7.45	2,053	9.79	2,630				
Phelps	-0.06	-17	2.38	642				
Pike 1	5.54	707	5.39	682				
Plaatte	13.15	7,966	16.91	10,131				
Polk	2.28	470	5.27	1,064				
Pulaski	-2.57	-668	3.26	836				
Putnam	-8.06	-315	-5.34	-209	2.47			
Ralls	2.61	146	6.27	346	5.65			
Randolph	2.21	379	7.00	1,200	8.76			
Ray	1.69	286	5.07	855	4.08			
Reynolds	7.77	412	10.55	560	13.36			
Ripley	3.23	309	9.61	949	10.44			
Saline	3.25	543	6.38	1,047	8.66			
Schuyler	-5.39	-161	-0.93	-29				
Scotland	7.05	271	7.56	285				
Scott	9.26	2,862	11.29	3,448				
Shannon	6.09	322	8.94	468				
Shelby	-2.08	-129	-3.30					
St. Charles	2.64	5,327	4.45	8,586				
St. Clair	-0.98	-65	4.47					
St. Francois	8.71	3,613	11.62					
St. Louis	10.03	78,147	10.37	79,172				
St. Louis City		46,009	28.41	46,352				
Ste. Geneviev		105	4.26	551				
Stoddard	7.12	1,623	7.89					
Stone	5.26	1,038	9.79					
Sullivan	-3.85	-201	1.73	92				
Taney	-0.28	-78 151	4.85	1,320				
Texas	0.90	151 570	2.82	475 1.084				
Vernon	3.42	570 374	6.57 4.46					
Warren Washington	1.97 8 79	374 1 278	4.46 11.86	820 1 703				
Washington Wayne	8.79 6.41	1,278 721	11.86 8.69	1,703 977				
Webster	1.34	350	3.27	831				
Worth	-4.87	-94	3.27 -7.57					
Wright	-4.67 -0.66	-94 -98	3.8	-143 566				
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Total	7.30	287,486	9.06	350,483	9.38			

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Employee of the Quarter - 3rd Quarter Donna Kilpatrick



Donna Kilpatrick Customer Service Representative

Donna Kilpatrick finds job very rewarding as a customer services representative in the Consumer Services Section. Kilpatrick has been with the department for nine years - one year in the Property

Casualty Section and eight in Consumer Services.

In her current position Kilpatrick assists consumers with insurance inquiries, acts as a liaison between the consumer and the insurance company in resolving disputed claims and speaks to consumer groups on insurance-related issues. The average call volume is 500 per month. The most challenging part of her position is training new consumer representatives.

Kilpatrick enjoys resolving problems and disputes for the consumer. Her goal is to continue to learn as much as she can about her position and the developing consumer issues in insurance.

Kilpatrick was an agent for 18 years before coming to MDI. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology and history. She lives at the Lake of the Ozark and enjoys getting out on the water as much as possible.

Employee of the Quarter - 4th Quarter Tammy Pollreisz



Tammy Pollreisz Accountant I

This employee of the quarter doesn't have any hobbies – she doesn't have spare time. Tammy Pollreisz stays busy with her family – husband Allan and daughters Shelby, five, and Devon, two.

Pollreisz

started her career at MDI in May of 1987 as a data entry clerk in the Licensing Section. In April 1988 she was promoted to examination coordinator in the Financial Exam Section. She moved to Washington, MO in 1989 and worked there for five years. She returned to MDI in 1994 as an account clerk in the Support Services Section and was promoted to accountant in October 1995.

As an accountant she processes the field examiners' expense reports, hotel, airline and car rental bills. She also sends invoices to insurance companies for the examiners' salaries, benefits and travel expenses.

The most challenging part of her position is meeting deadlines. She must get all the examiners expense money to them before the end of the month - or the phones would ring off the wall.

Pollreisz enjoys working with people. She tries to keep the field examiners abreast of inhouse information, sets up hotel reservations and resolves problems they may encounter.

To expand her skills, Pollreisz has attended considerable computer training while working at MDI.

Congratulations!!!!!!!!!



MDI Regulatory Actions

July, August, September & October 2000

Legal Action - Agents, Agencies and Brokers

American Chambers Life Insurance Co., Naperville, IL, certificate of authority suspended.

California Compensation Insurance Co., Rancho Cordova, CA, certificate of authority suspended for financial impairment.

Commercial Compensation Insurance Co., Rancho Cordova, CA, certificate of authority suspended for financial impairment.

Continental Casualty Co., Chicago, IL, \$2,400 forfeiture for advertising, Unfair Insurance Practices Act violation and allowing business from agent not appointed or licensed.

Hamilton Insurance Co., Richmond, VA, certificate of authority suspended.

Superior National Insurance Co., Woodland Hills, CA, certificate of authority suspended for financial impairment.

Venetia R. Coates & Fidelity Land Title Co., St. Louis, MO, license revoked.

Donald Bartles, Kansas City, MO, license revoked for failure to notify the department of address change.

Robert W. Carron, license suspended.

Robert M. Costello, Jr., St. Louis, MO, reinstatement of brokers license denied for misappropriation of premium, forgery and providing false information on applications.

Michael R. Dicken, Poplar Bluff, MO, insurance agent license revoked for practicing or aiding/abetting fraud, forgery, deception, collusion or conspiracy in an insurance transaction and demonstrating lack of trustworthiness or competence.

Eric Evans, Nixa, MO, voluntary forfeiture of \$100.

Greg E. Evans, St. Joseph, MO, \$100 forfeiture for signing insured's name without consent.

Randall P. Ewing, Greenville, IN, license denied for misstatement on application and criminal record/history.

Tracy Girdner, Piedmont, MO, license revoked.

Phillip L. Joyce, Marshfield, MO, license denied for not meeting the qualifications of Supreme Court Rule 33.17 (C).

Richard Maloney, St. Peters, MO, license revoked.

Denise A. McDonald, Streator, IL, application for license denied because of criminal history.

Duane Miller, Duluth, MN, license as bail bond agent revoked for incompetence, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation and dishonesty. Respondent did not appear for hearing.

Leslie E. Richardson, Yorba Linda, CA, license denied for failure to respond and criminal record/history.

Arthur Schlaikjer, III, Shawnee, KS, voluntary forfeiture of \$150.

Michael W. Struble, Streator, IL, license denied for failure to respond to the department.

Lawyers Title Insurance Co., Richmond, VA, \$2,050 forfeiture for unfair insurance practices and failure to set and maintain a reserve for unpaid losses and loss expenses.

Legal Action - Company

The following companies forfeited \$100 each for failure to respond to a complaint:

Aetna Insurance Co. of America, Hartford, CT.

Aetna Life Insurance Co., Hartford, CT.

American Bankers Life Insurance Co., Miami, FLX.

Continental Casualty Co., Chicago, IL.

Connecticut General Life Insurance Co., Hartford, CT.

Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U.S., New York, NY. *GEICO Casualty Co.,* Macon, GA.

Great Southern Life Insurance Co., Kansas City, MO.

Great West Life & Annuity Insurance Co., Englewood,

CO.

Halcyon Insurance Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

Hartford Underwriters Insurance Co., Hartford, CT.

Healthnet Inc., Kansas City, MO. - two violations.

Heritage Insurance Managers Inc., Hartford, CT.

Keyport Life Insurance Co., Boston, MA.

Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. of N.A., Boston, MA.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., New York, NY, two violations.

Metropolitan Insurance and Annuity Co., Johnstown, PA.

Midland National Life Insurance Co., Sioux Falls, SD. *Pennsylvania Life Insurance Co.*, Raleigh, NC.

Reliance Life Insurance Co., Philadelphia, PA.

SAFECO Insurance Co. of America, Sunset, MO.

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St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Co., St. Louis, MO.

Traders Insurance Co., Kansas City, MO.

United Healthcare of the Midwest Inc., Maryland Heights, MO.

United Healthcare Inc. dba Aetna U.S. Healthcare, Blue Bell, PA.

U.S. Healthcare Inc. d/b/a Aetna U.S. Healthcare, Hartford, CT, two violations.

World Insurance Co., Omaha, NE.

Amega Sales Inc., Ashland, MO, \$200 forfeiture for allowing business from agent who was not appointed/licensed. (See Regulatory Actions, p. 6)

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Financial Exams

Barry County Mutual Insurance Co., Purdy, MO.

Clarks Fork Mutual Insurance, Boonville, MO.

Clark County Mutual Insurance Co., Kahoka, MO.

Community Health Plan, St. Joseph, MO.

Farmers Coop Insurance Co., Tina, MO.

Farmers Mutual Insurance Co. of Dade County, Lockwood, MO.

First American Insurance Co., Kansas City, MO.

Gateway Insurance Co., St. Louis, MO.

GMAC Insurance Online, Inc. (prelicensing), Hazelwood, MO.

Hickory County Farmers Mutual Ins. Co., Hermitage, MO.

Humana Insurance Co., Louisville, KY.

Humana Kansas City, Inc., Louisville, KY.

Liberty Fire Benevolent Society, Jefferson City, MO.

Missouri Property and Casualty Insurance Guaranty Association, St. Louis, MO.

Shelter General Insurance Co., Columbia, MO.

Shelter Life Insurance Co., Columbia, MO.

Shelter Mutual Insurance Co., Columbia, MO.

Shelter Reinsurance Co., Kansas City, MO.

St. Thomas-Babbtown Mutual Ins. Co., St. Thomas, MO.

Company Changes

Advance Paradigm Data Services Inc., Irving, TX, changed its name to *ADVP Operations LP*.

Aetna Insurance Co. of America, Hartford, CT, redomesticated from Connecticut to Florida.

Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. of America, Omaha, NE, merged with Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Co.

American Healthcare Specialty Insurance Co., Los Angeles, CA, was admitted as a surplus lines company.

American Safety Casualty Insurance Co., Atlanta, GA, added miscellaneous authority.

Antares Management Solutions, Cleveland, OH, was admitted as a third-party administrator (TPA).

Chatham Reinsurance Corp., San Francisco, CA, changed its name to *Mapfre Reinsurance Corp*.

Columbus Life Insurance Co., Cincinnati, OH, added variable contracts authority.

Commercial Compensation Casualty, Calabasas, CA, admitted with property and liability authority.

Constitution State Service Co., Hartford, CT, as a third-party administrator (TPA).

Discover Property and Casualty Insurance Co., Chicago, IL, changed its name from Northbrook National Insurance Co.

Duncanson & Holt Administrative Services Inc., Avon, CT, changed its name to *AUL Long Term Care Solutions Inc.*

Eagle National Assurance Corp., Des Moines, IA, admitted with property, liability and miscellaneous authority.

Employers Risk Management Services Inc., Jefferson City, MO, surrendered its certificate of authority as a TPA.

Family Health Partners Inc., Kansas City, admitted as a TPA.

First American Insurance Co., Kansas City, added accident and health authority.

Frontier Pacific Insurance Co., San Diego, CA, was removed from list of eligible surplus lines insurers.

Genam Benefits Insurance Co., St. Louis, MO, changed its name to *HCSC Insurance Services Co.*

Genelco Inc., St. Louis, a TPA, changed its name from *Navisys Inc.*

Great Plains Mutual Insurance Co., Salina, KS, approved as an accredited reinsurer.

Guarantee Life Insurance Co., Omaha, NE, merged with *Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Co.*

GMAC Direct Insurance Co., Hazelwood, MO, was admitted with property, liability and miscellaneous authority.

GS Administrators Inc, Houston, TX, was admitted as a third party administrator (TPA).

Harvey W. Watt & Co., Inc., Hopeville, GA, was admitted as a TPA.

Imperial Fire and Marine, London, changed its name to *Alea London Limited*.

Innovative Resource Group Inc., Waukesha, WI, a TPA, changed its name from *CNR Health Inc.*

Insurance Corp. of Hannover, Chicago, IL, was admitted with property, liability, fidelity and surety, accident and health, and miscellaneous authority.

Interstate Speciality Marketing Inc., Tustin, CA, admitted as a TPA.

IRF Construction Group, New York, NY, was registered as a purchasing group.

IRF Hospitality Group Inc., New York, NY, was registered as a purchasing group.

IRF Manufacturing Group Inc., New York, NY, was registered as a purchasing group.

Jefferson Insurance Co., Jersey City, NJ, changed its name from *Jefferson Insurance Co. of New York*.

Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Co., Greensboro, NC, redomesticated from New Hampshire to Nebraska.

Johnson & Giggins Kirke-Van Orsdel Inc., New York, NY, withdrew as a TPA.

Kemper Auto & Home Insurance Co., Long Grove, IL, added miscellaneous authority.

Kemper Casualty Insurance Co., Long Grove, IL, redomesticated from Michigan to Illinois.

Kemper Independence Insurance Co., Long Grove, IL, added miscellaneous authority.

Liberty Personal Insurance Co., Boston, MA, changed its name from *Cumis General Insurance Co.*

Missouri Physicians Insurance Co., St. Louis, changed its name from *Medical Defense Insurance Co.*

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Personnel

New Employees

Linda Foster - insurance licensing technician Gary Kimball - market conduct examiner Lorraine Litwora - consumer services representative

John Korte - consumer services representative
Douglas Bey - financial examiner
Daphne Hu - information support coordinator
Karen Zoellner - customer service representative
John Boczkiewicz - financial examiner
Ted Greenhouse - market conduct examiner
Scott Pendleton - market conduct examiner
Linda Meyer - financial examiner
Preston McClain - managed care assistant
Nancy Luebbert - account clerk II
Jennifer Crum - investigator
Greg Longan - computer information technologist
Steve Hope - human resource manager
Tina Boston - insurance licensing tech
Kathy Egan - clerk typist III - St. Louis Branch

Office, consumer affairs

Linda Sligh - micro-film clerk

Promotions

Cassandra Bates - insurance admissions assistant Derek Butler - EIC, Financial Exam Section



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Mynd Corp., Blythewood, SC, a TPA, changed its name from *CYBERTEK Corp.*

National Fire and Indemnity Exchange, St. Louis, MO, added fidelity and surety and miscellaneous authority.

National Fidelity Life Insurance Co., Carmel, IN, merged into Bankers National Life Insurance Co.

NCM Americas Inc., Baltimore, MD, changed its name from Maryland Netherlands Credit Insurance Co.

Nutmeg Life Insurance Co., Bettendorf, IA, changed its name from *Toyota Motor Life Insurance Co.*

Penn-Star Insurance Co., Hatboro, PA, was approved as a surplus lines Co.

Planet Indemnity Co., Peoria, IL, was admitted with property and fidelity and surety authority.

Primrose Healthcare Services Inc., Springfield, MO, was admitted as a TPA.

Realm National Insurance Co., New York, NY, added miscellaneous authority.

Reliance Insurance Co. of Illinois, Philadelphia, PA, was removed from the eligibility list of approved surplus lines insurers in Missouri.

Roche Surety and Casualty Co. Inc., Tampa, FL, was admitted with fidelity and surety authority.

Roger K. McCoy, Columbia, MO, admitted as a TPA.

St. Johns Health System Inc. dba *St. John's Contract Services*, Springfield, MO, was admitted as a TPA.

SECURA Supreme Insurance Co., Appleton, WI, admitted with property, liability and miscellaneous authority.

Specialty National Insurance Co., Long Grove, IL, redomesticated from Minnesota to Ohio.

Sun Life of Canada Reinsurance Co., Brookfield, WI, changed its name to Clarica Life Reinsurance Co.

Trafalger Insurance Co., Atlanta, GA, changed its name to *American Safety Indemnity Co.*

Trustgard Insurance Co., Columbus, OH, redomesticated from Minnesota to Ohio.

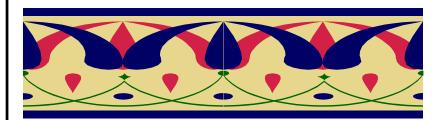
USAA Casualty Insurance Co., San Antonio, TX, redomesticated from Florida to Texas.

Wausau Benefits Inc., Wausau, WI, was admitted as a TPA.

Wisconsin National Life Insurance Co., Louisville, KY, changed its name to *Humana Dental Insurance Co.*

Wright & Co. Insurance Brokers, Consultants and Administrators, Washington, DC, authority as TPA suspended.

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Regulatory Actions

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Market Conduct

Auto-Owners Insurance Co., and Owners Insurance Co., Lansing, MI, \$28,935 fine. The companies failed to have licenses on file for any of the 102 agencies through which they operated in Missouri. The companies were using private passenger auto, homeowners, mobile homeowners, commercial auto and property, commercial package and workers compensation policy applications that illegally

asked about prior cancellations, nonrenewals and declinations. The companies also did not maintain copies of private passenger auto applications and terminated auto policies without advising policyholders about the availability of Missouri Joint Underwriting Association coverage. All these violations had been found in the companies' previous market conduct exam, too, but had gone uncorrected.

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